



THE CONNECTOR !

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SURREY SENIORS REPEATER GROUP

Amateur Radio For Seniors and their Supporters

Pres. Dennis Livesey VE7DK 594-6675
Sec. Bob Findler VE7EYF 581-2408
Treas. Bill Aplin VE7CZX 591-8554



The Annual General Meeting was held at the Whalley Public Library, Nov.26th, 1991.

Attending were 17 members; VE7's CZX, SLC, ICL, EWF, EYF, BTZ, BXT, DK, EYU, EZN, CON, YB, JGR, KAT, AZK, IDM & FKB.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 1310 hrs by the Pres. Dennis VE7DK who thanked everybody for attending.

Dennis announced that the new Repeater was now in operation, "in the real world", it being just that morning installed at the QTH of Kjeld, VE7CJR.

Dennis, Bob VE7EYF & Kjeld were at the installation.

The call sign is VE7RSG and is operating on the old VE7RSE frequency pair, 147.340 + .600. At this temporary site it is using the RSE duplexers and antenna

system.

Communications Canada have been informed by telephone and a covering letter.

During this run-in period we will all gain experience, adjustments will surely be made in light of this.

Volunteering to serve on a **R E P E A T E R COMMITTEE** were:

Dusty YB, Scott KAT & Dennis DK.

This is an OPEN repeater and is thus available, for general use, by licensed radio amateurs. Some DTMF codes are included, a bonus to normal users of this machine. The committee will determine the initiation of further codes.

A booklet of information will be issued shortly. Members of both organizations cooperating will get one of these.

Meanwhile the following may be used, remember these were not available on the old VE7RSE system.

IMPORTANT ! Always identify yourself !

508

Accesses programmed bulletin/message.

509

Accesses real time.

516

Audio test. Key up, hold key while entering message, up to 30 secs. Release then key 2nd time and release. Your message echoes back.

520

Deviation check. Enter code and release. Key 2nd time and enter msge (min.5 secs) release key.

Dev. parameters and freq. are announced.

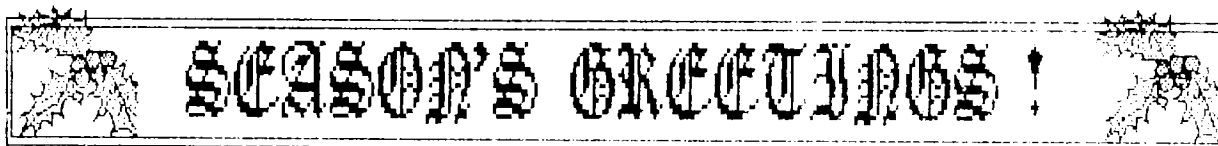
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Key Pad check. Enter code then hit each key in following sequence:

123 456 789 #0* 147 258 369 release key.

PHONE PATCH

Members of SSRG will be advised when to apply, after the system is permanently located.



Reverse phone patch will be available then also, allowing anyone to call, via LL, using designated numbers.

This is to follow the spirit of our agreement with the New Horizons requirements respecting the needs of Seniors, Shut-ins etc.

RPTR SITE

The Pres. outlined some of the frustrations in dealing with various groups and individuals. Several meetings have taken place along with innumerable LL calls, visits to sites and reams of correspondence, in order to procure a permanent location.

To our great disappointment some members of our own Amateur Radio fraternity seem to have forgotten the code of ethics, and to say the least, were of no help whatsoever.

However, encouragement did come from unexpected municipal sources. We are negotiating for one of two proposed locations and will report back after confirmation.

It must also be said that the cooperation of the CC representative has been excellent.

Again, New Horizons requirements as to the site have to be adhered to, the main reason to establish in a government owned building.

FINANCES

The financial report was read by Treas. Bill VE7CZX.

N.H. Balance
\$2556.68

Club Balance

\$1016.06

Moved by Bill CZX to accept was seconded by Harold VE7BXT, motion passed. Harold BXT agreed to do the annual check of the Group's financial records.

ELECTIONS

Sec. Bob VE7EYF reported canvassing of the Directors showed, except for the current Executive, all declined to stand for election.

The Executive agreed to serve for the remainder of their term in order to assure completion of the New Horizons commitment. So, by acclamation; Dennis DK,(Pres.) Bob EYF,(Sec.) & Bill CZX,(Treas.) were elected.

HEALTH & WELFARE

Sincere 73 are sent to our good friends Cliff VE7FVO & Brian VE7BJ during these trying times. Jack VE7FJP was looking good at recent eyeball QSO.

Anyone having info. under this heading should announce it on RSG.

BC LEGACY FUND

A motion to purchase an enclosure, a Gelcel battery, a Float-charger and a Modem was made by Dennis DK, seconded by Harold BXT and passed.

These items, plus replenishing of the Group's stationery stock, will allow us to complete the needed documents and the wind-up of the BC Games Legacy Fund, as required.

DUES

There was a very good discussion on this, with many comments and suggestions from the floor. It finally was proposed by the Treas. Bill CZX and seconded by Graham VE7BTZ. that the dues be set at \$10.00 per annum to cover normal operational needs and to address the phone-patch costs whenever we know what they will be. This was passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1440hrs on a motion by Vic VE7CON.

*You can't build
a reputation on
what you're
GOING to do.
(Henry Ford)*



TO JACK VE7FJP FOR
SUGGESTING THE
NEWSLETTER TITLE:
THE CONNECTOR !

AND FOR HELPING WITH THE
LOGOS.

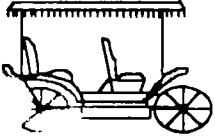
JACK'S DUES FOR 91/92 ARE
HIS REWARD!

73 to BOB VE7EYF &
MERRY Xmas
FROM YOUR
EXECUTIVE !

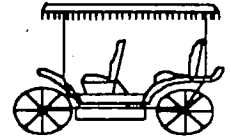


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THE S.A.R.C.



COMMUNICATOR



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CLUB NETS

EACH TUESDAY 20:00Hrs. local time 147.34/147.94Mhz.
EACH SUNDAY 20:00Hrs. local time 28.675 Mhz.

MEETING

The next General Meeting of the Surrey Amateur Radio Club will take place on WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 6th. 1991. AT NEWTON JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL 132nd. St. and 64th, Ave. Surrey. at 1930 hrs. local time. Please try to attend. Bring a guest!

XMAS PARTY

The Club Christmas Party will be held this year at the ELKS HALL, George St. White Rock on December 14th. 1991

The cost will be \$16.00 per person and will commence at 1900 hrs.

The meal will be Baron of beef with all the trimmings. A Bar will be available which will be operated by the Elks Club and will have your favourite beverages available at very reasonable prices. There will be several door prizes and other goodies. As seating is limited please make the Social Committee (VE7JGR & VE7KAT) aware of the number of people who will be attending. Deadline for tickets WED. DEC. 4th. 1991.

THERE ARE STILL A FEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE YET TO PAY DUES FOR THIS YEAR. ROLAND WILL BE PLEASED TO ACCEPT YOUR MONEY.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD WED.OCTOBER 2ND. 1991

The Meeting was called to order at 19:37hrs. Pres.Dennis VE7DK welcomed 25 members and one visitor Ed. VE7JA. The members were asked whether their "Communicator" had been received. It seemed that all members had their copy. Dennis asked that the Minutes be accepted as published.

After some discussion on the minutes, Vic. VE7CON moved adoption, Bill VE7IGI seconded, all members were in favour. The motion carried.

Roland, VE7IDM presented the Club financial report. The current Bank balance is \$2974.31. Kjeld VE7CJR seconded, all in favour of adoption of the report. Motion carried.

Mention was made of the letter of thanks received by the Club from the Rotary Club of Vancouver concerning our participation in the recent Bike-A-Thon. Two hundred and three riders participated this year and up to \$100,000.00 is expected to be raised to assist hearing impaired people. It makes it all worth while to hear those numbers.

The only correspondence received this month was a copy of QST CANADA, which was passed around the membership. Ivar, VE7EYU said that Cliff, VE7FVO was out of hospital and is in good spirits although he still has a problem with his legs. Brian. VE7BJ is having some hearing problems. His recent trip to the Bahamas was apparently most enjoyable.. Jack VE7FJ and a P is recovering quite nicely from his recent major surgery and hopes to be attending our next meeting.

Dennis, VE7DK is attempting to set up a meeting with Surrey Municipality to finalize the SSRG Repeater installation, he also mentioned that the Repeater has been paid for and is on the way to Canada via UPS. The Municipality has agreed to the installation of a tower on the roof of the Hall.

Bill, VE7IGI then said that other locations could probably be found that would meet the criteria laid down by the New Horizons should we have problems with Surrey. This will be left to the SSRG.

Information sheets were passed around the members describing the features of the new Repeater (model Mark 4 CR).

Bill, VE7IGI and Vic. VE7CON Volunteered to host the next Tech. Meeting.

A telephone Committee was set up consisting of the following; VE7CON, VE7CXZ, VE7DK, VE7EYU, VE7IDI and VE7SLC. These members will call the rest of the membership whenever the need arises, the committee will be contacted by VE7DK.

There was not a surge of people to volunteer for the job of Programme Co-ordinator, so the Exec. will try to arrange something for the meetings.

Len, VE7SLC requested that a list of the Club inventory be made available to the Membership. Dennis said that one would be published in a future " Communicator"

COFFEE BREAK 20:26Hrs.

Mike VE7MJF who is working with VE7SLC on the rewrite of the Constitution asked for confirmation that: Non Licensed individuals cannot be elected to executive positions. This item was confirmed.

By a show of hands it appeared that enough members were in favour of having a Christmas Party this year.

Len, VE7SLC suggested that the Social committee contact the Elks Hall people in White Rock, re the availability of the hall.

It was stated that again this year at the Flea Market The Club have a table which will be used for any items that the members wish to donate, the proceeds from the sale of these be placed in Club funds.

Bill VE7IGI hoped that there would be some good Door Prizes this year at the Flea Market . He was assured that this would be arranged.

Dennis said that a call had been received by a local Scout Leader to arrange for 6 Scouts to attend the Club Classes. arrangements were made but the Scouts did not show.

Dennis asked for a motion to purchase Magnetic Signs for use by members during our various Parade etc: functions. Harold VE7BXT Moved that: The Club acquire pricing on Signs, George, VE7AKZ seconded. All in favour.

Congratulations were offered to Bill, VE7IGI On his recent successful try at the advanced exam.

On a motion by Vic, VE7CON the meeting was adjourned at 21:24hrs.

PRES SEZ

I received a copy of a letter from the Surrey Municipality last week which was of a letter sent by the RCMP objecting to the installation of the new repeater at the Municipal Hall.

On reading, it would appear that some misinformation has been given to the Force regarding the proposed system. I am at a loss to understand the reasons behind this, but no doubt someone feels that they should object. Briefly the objections refer to the 60 watts of power, the high gain antenna, the height of the tower, the location, (It was stated that a prior applicant had been turned down by C.C. This is not borne out by my enquiries.) and that the frequencies had not been co-ordinated for this location. And that there is fear of harmful interference or desensitization of the RCMP radio equipment. You will perhaps be pleased to hear that all the "FACTS" stated are incorrect except for the frequencies that are noted.

The SSRG will be responding to the letter and the SARC will be kept informed.

I listened to some of the other local club nets last week and was not sure whether I was listening to the SARC Net or not as there were more of our members checking into other nets than check in to ours. Why not try our own net as well? It seems that we get a very poor response on Tuesday and Sunday evenings.

NOV. AGENDA

The November meeting will consist of the usual business meeting followed by a Panel Discussion in which a Panel of "EXPERTS" will answer questions submitted by the membership. We would like you to present any questions you have for the Panel at the start of the evening, this will give them an opportunity to prepare the answers. The questions must be related to Amateur Radio and of a general nature. Questions could be on Antennas, power supplies, station operating, Contest operating, Regulations and etc. if you are not sure of anything perhaps we can find the answer for you

OOPS

Apologies go to KJELD, VE7CJR I gave him two different callsigns in last months issue We all know his call. Sorry Kjeld.

I was informed that I made six mistakes in last months issue, either spelling or punctuation, it proves that even perfect people can sometimes make mistakes!

EXTRA

THE WORLD WAS THRILLED BY THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT THAT A WHITE ROCK RESIDENT HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN ACHIEVING A SPEED OF FIVE WORDS PER MINUTE IN THE TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MORSE CODE.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DORIS VE7HDE.

ELMERS ?

In a recent "COMMUNICATOR" A list of members willing to assist other members was published. Howwww-ever phone numbers and addresses were not listed. Here they are.

Al Groom	VE7AYN	White Rock	Phone No.	531 2443
Andrew Farmer	VE7BFX	N. Van.	" "	988 4670
Kjeld Frederiksen	VE7CJR	Surrey	" "	596 0035
Vic. Medway	VE7CON	Surrey	" "	584 0142
Dennis Livesey	VE7DK	N. Delta	" "	594 6675
Max Green	VE7DZ	White Rock	" "	536 8941
Harry Curtis	VE7HNC	Langley	" "	530 3962
Dusty Miller	VE7YB	New West.	" "	522 3933

Please! if you need the services of any of the above members CALL! They offered their help, please take advantage of the offer.

The following was submitted by Dusty VE7YB who picked it off VE7KIT.

One stormy night at sea, the ship's Captain saw what appeared to be the lights of another ship out in front of him. He had his signalman blink to the other ship: ``Change your course 10 degrees North:``

The reply came back "Change YOUR course 10 degrees SOUTH."

The ships captain frowned and, slowly simmering, had an answer sent: "I am the Captain; change YOUR course 10 degrees NORTH." A reply followed: "Well I am a Seaman First-Class; change your course 10 degrees SOUTH".

This impertinence enraged the Captain and, glowering at his signalman he had this message sent: "Listen, you Fool, I said change your *\$%!! course NORTH! This is a BATTLESHIP!"

Within seconds, the reply flashed back: "I said change your course 10 degrees SOUTH.....This is a LIGHTHOUSE!!"

Which shows, that the last word on a subject should not always be with the person with the most authority, but with the person with the best grasp of the situation..

A Membership list is included with this "COMMUNICATOR" please let me know of any errors or omissions.

Remember to bring your questions for the Panel to the next meeting.

Vy 73

Dennis VE7DK